## FIRST REGULAR SESSION SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

## SENATE BILL NO. 167

## 97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Financial and Governmental Organizations and Elections, April 4, 2013, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass.

1010S.03C TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

## AN ACT

To repeal sections 208.152, 335.016, 335.046, 335.056, 335.066, 335.076, and 335.086, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof seven new sections relating to nurses.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 208.152, 335.016, 335.046, 335.056, 335.066, 335.076,

- and 335.086, RSMo, are repealed and seven new sections enacted in lieu thereof,
- 3 to be known as sections 208.152, 335.016, 335.046, 335.056, 335.066, 335.076, and
- 4 335.086, to read as follows:
  - 208.152. 1. MO HealthNet payments shall be made on behalf of those
- 2 eligible needy persons as defined in section 208.151 who are unable to provide for
- 3 it in whole or in part, with any payments to be made on the basis of the
- 4 reasonable cost of the care or reasonable charge for the services as defined and
- 5 determined by the MO HealthNet division, unless otherwise hereinafter provided,
- 6 for the following:
- 7 (1) Inpatient hospital services, except to persons in an institution for
- 8 mental diseases who are under the age of sixty-five years and over the age of
- 9 twenty-one years; provided that the MO HealthNet division shall provide through
- 10 rule and regulation an exception process for coverage of inpatient costs in those
- 11 cases requiring treatment beyond the seventy-fifth percentile professional
- 12 activities study (PAS) or the MO HealthNet children's diagnosis length-of-stay
- 13 schedule; and provided further that the MO HealthNet division shall take into
- 14 account through its payment system for hospital services the situation of
- 15 hospitals which serve a disproportionate number of low-income patients;
- 16 (2) All outpatient hospital services, payments therefor to be in amounts

which represent no more than eighty percent of the lesser of reasonable costs or customary charges for such services, determined in accordance with the principles set forth in Title XVIII A and B, Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 301, et seq.), but the MO HealthNet division may evaluate outpatient hospital services rendered under this section and deny payment for services which are determined by the MO HealthNet division not to be medically necessary, in accordance with federal law and regulations;

- (3) Laboratory and X-ray services;
- (4) Nursing home services for participants, except to persons with more than five hundred thousand dollars equity in their home or except for persons in an institution for mental diseases who are under the age of sixty-five years, when residing in a hospital licensed by the department of health and senior services or a nursing home licensed by the department of health and senior services or appropriate licensing authority of other states or government-owned and operated institutions which are determined to conform to standards equivalent to licensing requirements in Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 301, et seq.), as amended, for nursing facilities. The MO HealthNet division may recognize through its payment methodology for nursing facilities those nursing facilities which serve a high volume of MO HealthNet patients. The MO HealthNet division when determining the amount of the benefit payments to be made on behalf of persons under the age of twenty-one in a nursing facility may consider nursing facilities furnishing care to persons under the age of twenty-one as a classification separate from other nursing facilities;
- (5) Nursing home costs for participants receiving benefit payments under subdivision (4) of this subsection for those days, which shall not exceed twelve per any period of six consecutive months, during which the participant is on a temporary leave of absence from the hospital or nursing home, provided that no such participant shall be allowed a temporary leave of absence unless it is specifically provided for in his plan of care. As used in this subdivision, the term "temporary leave of absence" shall include all periods of time during which a participant is away from the hospital or nursing home overnight because he is visiting a friend or relative;
- (6) Physicians' services, whether furnished in the office, home, hospital, nursing home, or elsewhere;
  - (7) Drugs and medicines when prescribed by a licensed physician, dentist,

[or] podiatrist, or an advanced practice registered nurse; except that no payment for drugs and medicines prescribed on and after January 1, 2006, by a licensed physician, dentist, [or] podiatrist, or an advanced practice registered nurse may be made on behalf of any person who qualifies for prescription drug coverage under the provisions of P.L. 108-173;

- 58 (8) Emergency ambulance services and, effective January 1, 1990, 59 medically necessary transportation to scheduled, physician-prescribed nonelective 60 treatments;
- 61 (9) Early and periodic screening and diagnosis of individuals who are 62 under the age of twenty-one to ascertain their physical or mental defects, and 63 health care, treatment, and other measures to correct or ameliorate defects and 64 chronic conditions discovered thereby. Such services shall be provided in 65 accordance with the provisions of Section 6403 of P.L. 101-239 and federal 66 regulations promulgated thereunder;
  - (10) Home health care services;

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- (11) Family planning as defined by federal rules and regulations; provided, however, that such family planning services shall not include abortions unless such abortions are certified in writing by a physician to the MO HealthNet agency that, in his professional judgment, the life of the mother would be endangered if the fetus were carried to term;
- 73 (12) Inpatient psychiatric hospital services for individuals under age 74 twenty-one as defined in Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 75 1396d, et seq.);
- 76 (13) Outpatient surgical procedures, including presurgical diagnostic services performed in ambulatory surgical facilities which are licensed by the 77 department of health and senior services of the state of Missouri; except, that 78 79 such outpatient surgical services shall not include persons who are eligible for coverage under Part B of Title XVIII, Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the 80 federal Social Security Act, as amended, if exclusion of such persons is permitted 81 82 under Title XIX, Public Law 89-97, 1965 amendments to the federal Social Security Act, as amended; 83
- (14) Personal care services which are medically oriented tasks having to 85 do with a person's physical requirements, as opposed to housekeeping 86 requirements, which enable a person to be treated by his physician on an 87 outpatient rather than on an inpatient or residential basis in a hospital, 88 intermediate care facility, or skilled nursing facility. Personal care services shall

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be rendered by an individual not a member of the participant's family who is 90 qualified to provide such services where the services are prescribed by a physician in accordance with a plan of treatment and are supervised by a licensed 91 nurse. Persons eligible to receive personal care services shall be those persons 92 93 who would otherwise require placement in a hospital, intermediate care facility, or skilled nursing facility. Benefits payable for personal care services shall not 94 exceed for any one participant one hundred percent of the average statewide 95 96 charge for care and treatment in an intermediate care facility for a comparable 97 period of time. Such services, when delivered in a residential care facility or assisted living facility licensed under chapter 198 shall be authorized on a tier 98 99 level based on the services the resident requires and the frequency of the services. 100 A resident of such facility who qualifies for assistance under section 208.030 101 shall, at a minimum, if prescribed by a physician, qualify for the tier level with the fewest services. The rate paid to providers for each tier of service shall be set 102 103 subject to appropriations. Subject to appropriations, each resident of such facility who qualifies for assistance under section 208.030 and meets the level of care 104 105 required in this section shall, at a minimum, if prescribed by a physician, be authorized up to one hour of personal care services per day. Authorized units of 106 107 personal care services shall not be reduced or tier level lowered unless an order 108 approving such reduction or lowering is obtained from the resident's personal 109 physician. Such authorized units of personal care services or tier level shall be transferred with such resident if her or she transfers to another such 110 111 facility. Such provision shall terminate upon receipt of relevant waivers from the 112 federal Department of Health and Human Services. If the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services determines that such provision does not comply with the 113 state plan, this provision shall be null and void. The MO HealthNet division 114 shall notify the revisor of statutes as to whether the relevant waivers are 115 approved or a determination of noncompliance is made; 116

(15) Mental health services. The state plan for providing medical assistance under Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 301, as amended, shall include the following mental health services when such services are provided by community mental health facilities operated by the department of mental health or designated by the department of mental health as a community mental health facility or as an alcohol and drug abuse facility or as a child-serving agency within the comprehensive children's mental health service system established in section 630.097. The department of mental health shall

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establish by administrative rule the definition and criteria for designation as a 126 community mental health facility and for designation as an alcohol and drug 127 abuse facility. Such mental health services shall include:

- (a) Outpatient mental health services including preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, rehabilitative, and palliative interventions rendered to individuals in an individual or group setting by a mental health professional in accordance with a plan of treatment appropriately established, implemented, monitored, and revised under the auspices of a therapeutic team as a part of client services management;
- (b) Clinic mental health services including preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, rehabilitative, and palliative interventions rendered to individuals in an individual or group setting by a mental health professional in accordance with a plan of treatment appropriately established, implemented, monitored, and revised under the auspices of a therapeutic team as a part of client services management;
- (c) Rehabilitative mental health and alcohol and drug abuse services including home and community-based preventive, diagnostic, therapeutic, rehabilitative, and palliative interventions rendered to individuals in an individual or group setting by a mental health or alcohol and drug abuse professional in accordance with a plan of treatment appropriately established, implemented, monitored, and revised under the auspices of a therapeutic team as a part of client services management. As used in this section, mental health professional and alcohol and drug abuse professional shall be defined by the department of mental health pursuant to duly promulgated rules. With respect to services established by this subdivision, the department of social services, MO HealthNet division, shall enter into an agreement with the department of mental health. Matching funds for outpatient mental health services, clinic mental health services, and rehabilitation services for mental health and alcohol and drug abuse shall be certified by the department of mental health to the MO HealthNet division. The agreement shall establish a mechanism for the joint implementation of the provisions of this subdivision. In addition, the agreement shall establish a mechanism by which rates for services may be jointly developed;
  - (16) Such additional services as defined by the MO HealthNet division to be furnished under waivers of federal statutory requirements as provided for and authorized by the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 301, et seq.) subject to appropriation by the general assembly;

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- 161 (17) [Beginning July 1, 1990,] The services of [a certified pediatric or 162 family nursing practitioner an advanced practice registered nurse with a 163 collaborative practice agreement to the extent that such services are provided in 164 accordance with chapters 334 and 335, and regulations promulgated thereunder;
  - (18) Nursing home costs for participants receiving benefit payments under subdivision (4) of this subsection to reserve a bed for the participant in the nursing home during the time that the participant is absent due to admission to a hospital for services which cannot be performed on an outpatient basis, subject to the provisions of this subdivision:
- 170 (a) The provisions of this subdivision shall apply only if:
  - a. The occupancy rate of the nursing home is at or above ninety-seven percent of MO HealthNet certified licensed beds, according to the most recent quarterly census provided to the department of health and senior services which was taken prior to when the participant is admitted to the hospital; and
- 175 b. The patient is admitted to a hospital for a medical condition with an anticipated stay of three days or less; 176
- 177 (b) The payment to be made under this subdivision shall be provided for a maximum of three days per hospital stay; 178
  - (c) For each day that nursing home costs are paid on behalf of a participant under this subdivision during any period of six consecutive months such participant shall, during the same period of six consecutive months, be ineligible for payment of nursing home costs of two otherwise available temporary leave of absence days provided under subdivision (5) of this subsection; and
  - (d) The provisions of this subdivision shall not apply unless the nursing home receives notice from the participant or the participant's responsible party that the participant intends to return to the nursing home following the hospital stay. If the nursing home receives such notification and all other provisions of this subsection have been satisfied, the nursing home shall provide notice to the participant or the participant's responsible party prior to release of the reserved bed;
- (19) Prescribed medically necessary durable medical equipment. An electronic web-based prior authorization system using best medical evidence and 193 care and treatment guidelines consistent with national standards shall be used to verify medical need;
- 195 (20) Hospice care. As used in this subdivision, the term "hospice care" 196 means a coordinated program of active professional medical attention within a

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197 home, outpatient and inpatient care which treats the terminally ill patient and 198 family as a unit, employing a medically directed interdisciplinary team. The program provides relief of severe pain or other physical symptoms and supportive 199 200 care to meet the special needs arising out of physical, psychological, spiritual, 201 social, and economic stresses which are experienced during the final stages of 202 illness, and during dying and bereavement and meets the Medicare requirements 203 for participation as a hospice as are provided in 42 CFR Part 418. The rate of 204 reimbursement paid by the MO HealthNet division to the hospice provider for 205 room and board furnished by a nursing home to an eligible hospice patient shall 206 not be less than ninety-five percent of the rate of reimbursement which would 207 have been paid for facility services in that nursing home facility for that patient, 208 in accordance with subsection (c) of Section 6408 of P.L. 101-239 (Omnibus 209 Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989);

- (21) Prescribed medically necessary dental services. Such services shall be subject to appropriations. An electronic web-based prior authorization system using best medical evidence and care and treatment guidelines consistent with national standards shall be used to verify medical need;
- (22) Prescribed medically necessary optometric services. Such services shall be subject to appropriations. An electronic web-based prior authorization system using best medical evidence and care and treatment guidelines consistent with national standards shall be used to verify medical need;
- (23) Blood clotting products-related services. For persons diagnosed with a bleeding disorder, as defined in section 338.400, reliant on blood clotting products, as defined in section 338.400, such services include:
- (a) Home delivery of blood clotting products and ancillary infusion equipment and supplies, including the emergency deliveries of the product when medically necessary;
- 224 (b) Medically necessary ancillary infusion equipment and supplies 225 required to administer the blood clotting products; and
- 226 (c) Assessments conducted in the participant's home by a pharmacist, 227 nurse, or local home health care agency trained in bleeding disorders when 228 deemed necessary by the participant's treating physician;
  - (24) The MO HealthNet division shall, by January 1, 2008, and annually thereafter, report the status of MO HealthNet provider reimbursement rates as compared to one hundred percent of the Medicare reimbursement rates and compared to the average dental reimbursement rates paid by third-party payors

licensed by the state. The MO HealthNet division shall, by July 1, 2008, provide to the general assembly a four-year plan to achieve parity with Medicare reimbursement rates and for third-party payor average dental reimbursement rates. Such plan shall be subject to appropriation and the division shall include in its annual budget request to the governor the necessary funding needed to complete the four-year plan developed under this subdivision.

- 2. Additional benefit payments for medical assistance shall be made on behalf of those eligible needy children, pregnant women and blind persons with any payments to be made on the basis of the reasonable cost of the care or reasonable charge for the services as defined and determined by the division of medical services, unless otherwise hereinafter provided, for the following:
  - (1) Dental services;

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- (2) Services of podiatrists as defined in section 330.010;
- 246 (3) Optometric services as defined in section 336.010;
- 247 (4) Orthopedic devices or other prosthetics, including eye glasses, 248 dentures, hearing aids, and wheelchairs:
- 249 (5) Hospice care. As used in this subsection, the term "hospice care" 250 means a coordinated program of active professional medical attention within a 251 home, outpatient and inpatient care which treats the terminally ill patient and 252 family as a unit, employing a medically directed interdisciplinary team. The 253 program provides relief of severe pain or other physical symptoms and supportive care to meet the special needs arising out of physical, psychological, spiritual, 254 255 social, and economic stresses which are experienced during the final stages of 256 illness, and during dying and bereavement and meets the Medicare requirements 257 for participation as a hospice as are provided in 42 CFR Part 418. The rate of reimbursement paid by the MO HealthNet division to the hospice provider for 258room and board furnished by a nursing home to an eligible hospice patient shall 259 not be less than ninety-five percent of the rate of reimbursement which would 260 have been paid for facility services in that nursing home facility for that patient, 261 262 in accordance with subsection (c) of Section 6408 of P.L. 101-239 (Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989); 263
  - (6) Comprehensive day rehabilitation services beginning early posttrauma as part of a coordinated system of care for individuals with disabling impairments. Rehabilitation services must be based on an individualized, goal-oriented, comprehensive and coordinated treatment plan developed, implemented, and monitored through an interdisciplinary assessment designed

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269 to restore an individual to optimal level of physical, cognitive, and behavioral 270 function. The MO HealthNet division shall establish by administrative rule the definition and criteria for designation of a comprehensive day rehabilitation 271 272 service facility, benefit limitations and payment mechanism. Any rule or portion 273 of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the 274 authority delegated in this subdivision shall become effective only if it complies 275 with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, 276 section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the 277 powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to 278 delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held 279 unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed 280 or adopted after August 28, 2005, shall be invalid and void.

3. The MO HealthNet division may require any participant receiving MO HealthNet benefits to pay part of the charge or cost until July 1, 2008, and an additional payment after July 1, 2008, as defined by rule duly promulgated by the MO HealthNet division, for all covered services except for those services covered under subdivisions (14) and (15) of subsection 1 of this section and sections 208.631 to 208.657 to the extent and in the manner authorized by Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396, et seq.) and regulations thereunder. When substitution of a generic drug is permitted by the prescriber according to section 338.056, and a generic drug is substituted for a name-brand drug, the MO HealthNet division may not lower or delete the requirement to make a co-payment pursuant to regulations of Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act. A provider of goods or services described under this section must collect from all participants the additional payment that may be required by the MO HealthNet division under authority granted herein, if the division exercises that authority, to remain eligible as a provider. Any payments made by participants under this section shall be in addition to and not in lieu of payments made by the state for goods or services described herein except the participant portion of the pharmacy professional dispensing fee shall be in addition to and not in lieu of payments to pharmacists. A provider may collect the co-payment at the time a service is provided or at a later date. A provider shall not refuse to provide a service if a participant is unable to pay a required payment. If it is the routine business practice of a provider to terminate future services to an individual with an unclaimed debt, the provider may include uncollected co-payments under this practice. Providers who elect not to undertake the

provision of services based on a history of bad debt shall give participants advance notice and a reasonable opportunity for payment. A provider, representative, employee, independent contractor, or agent of a pharmaceutical manufacturer shall not make co-payment for a participant. This subsection shall not apply to other qualified children, pregnant women, or blind persons. If the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services does not approve the Missouri MO HealthNet state plan amendment submitted by the department of social services that would allow a provider to deny future services to an individual with uncollected co-payments, the denial of services shall not be allowed. The department of social services shall inform providers regarding the acceptability of denying services as the result of unpaid co-payments.

- 4. The MO HealthNet division shall have the right to collect medication samples from participants in order to maintain program integrity.
- 5. Reimbursement for obstetrical and pediatric services under subdivision (6) of subsection 1 of this section shall be timely and sufficient to enlist enough health care providers so that care and services are available under the state plan for MO HealthNet benefits at least to the extent that such care and services are available to the general population in the geographic area, as required under subparagraph (a)(30)(A) of 42 U.S.C. 1396a and federal regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 6. Beginning July 1, 1990, reimbursement for services rendered in federally funded health centers shall be in accordance with the provisions of subsection 6402(c) and Section 6404 of P.L. 101-239 (Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1989) and federal regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 7. Beginning July 1, 1990, the department of social services shall provide notification and referral of children below age five, and pregnant, breast-feeding, or postpartum women who are determined to be eligible for MO HealthNet benefits under section 208.151 to the special supplemental food programs for women, infants and children administered by the department of health and senior services. Such notification and referral shall conform to the requirements of Section 6406 of P.L. 101-239 and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 8. Providers of long-term care services shall be reimbursed for their costs in accordance with the provisions of Section 1902 (a)(13)(A) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1396a, as amended, and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- 9. Reimbursement rates to long-term care providers with respect to a total change in ownership, at arm's length, for any facility previously licensed and

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certified for participation in the MO HealthNet program shall not increase payments in excess of the increase that would result from the application of Section 1902 (a)(13)(C) of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1396a (a)(13)(C).

- 10. The MO HealthNet division, may enroll qualified residential care facilities and assisted living facilities, as defined in chapter 198, as MO HealthNet personal care providers.
- 11. Any income earned by individuals eligible for certified extended employment at a sheltered workshop under chapter 178 shall not be considered as income for purposes of determining eligibility under this section.

335.016. As used in this chapter, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the following words and terms mean:

- (1) "Accredited", the official authorization or status granted by an agency for a program through a voluntary process;
- 5 (2) "Advanced practice registered nurse" **or "APRN"**, a nurse who has 6 education beyond the basic nursing education and is certified by a nationally 7 recognized professional organization as a certified nurse practitioner, certified 8 nurse midwife, certified registered nurse anesthetist, or a certified clinical nurse 9 specialist. The board shall promulgate rules specifying which nationally 10 recognized professional organization certifications are to be recognized for the 11 purposes of this section. Advanced practice nurses and only such individuals may 12 use the title "Advanced Practice Registered Nurse" and the abbreviation "APRN";
  - (3) "Approval", official recognition of nursing education programs which meet standards established by the board of nursing;
    - (4) "Board" or "state board", the state board of nursing;
  - (5) "Certified clinical nurse specialist", a registered nurse who has completed an accredited graduate-level education program and is currently certified as a clinical nurse specialist by a nationally recognized certifying board approved by the board of nursing;
  - (6) "Certified nurse midwife", a registered nurse who has completed an accredited graduate-level education program and is currently certified as a nurse midwife by the American College of Nurse Midwives, or other nationally recognized certifying body approved by the board of nursing;
  - (7) "Certified nurse practitioner", a registered nurse who has completed an accredited graduate-level education program and is currently certified as a nurse practitioner by a nationally recognized certifying body approved by the board of nursing;

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- 28 (8) "Certified registered nurse anesthetist", a registered nurse who has
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  30 currently certified as a nurse anesthetist by the [Council on Certification of
  31 Nurse Anesthetists, the Council on] National Board of Certification and
  32 Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists[,] or other nationally recognized certifying
  33 body approved by the board of nursing;
- 34 (9) "Executive director", a qualified individual employed by the board as 35 executive secretary or otherwise to administer the provisions of this chapter 36 under the board's direction. Such person employed as executive director shall not 37 be a member of the board;
  - (10) "Inactive nurse", as defined by rule pursuant to section 335.061;
  - (11) "Lapsed license status", as defined by rule under section 335.061;
- 40 (12) "Licensed practical nurse" or "practical nurse", a person licensed 41 pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to engage in the practice of practical 42 nursing;
  - (13) "Licensure", the issuing of a license to practice **advanced practice**, professional, or practical nursing to candidates who have met the specified requirements and the recording of the names of those persons as holders of a license to practice **advanced practice**, professional, or practical nursing;
  - (14) "Practical nursing", the performance for compensation of selected acts for the promotion of health and in the care of persons who are ill, injured, or experiencing alterations in normal health processes. Such performance requires substantial specialized skill, judgment and knowledge. All such nursing care shall be given under the direction of a person licensed by a state regulatory board to prescribe medications and treatments or under the direction of a registered professional nurse. For the purposes of this chapter, the term "direction" shall mean guidance or supervision provided by a person licensed by a state regulatory board to prescribe medications and treatments or a registered professional nurse, including, but not limited to, oral, written, or otherwise communicated orders or directives for patient care. When practical nursing care is delivered pursuant to the direction of a person licensed by a state regulatory board to prescribe medications and treatments or under the direction of a registered professional nurse, such care may be delivered by a licensed practical nurse without direct physical oversight;
- 62 (15) "Professional nursing", the performance for compensation of any act 63 which requires substantial specialized education, judgment and skill based on

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knowledge and application of principles derived from the biological, physical, social and nursing sciences, including, but not limited to:

- 66 (a) Responsibility for the teaching of health care and the prevention of 67 illness to the patient and his or her family;
- 68 (b) Assessment, nursing diagnosis, nursing care, and counsel of persons 69 who are ill, injured or experiencing alterations in normal health processes;
- 70 (c) The administration of medications and treatments as prescribed by a 71 person licensed by a state regulatory board to prescribe medications and 72 treatments;
  - (d) The coordination and assistance in the delivery of a plan of health care with all members of a health team;
- 75 (e) The teaching and supervision of other persons in the performance of 76 any of the foregoing;
- 77 (16) A "registered professional nurse" or "registered nurse", a person 78 licensed pursuant to the provisions of this chapter to engage in the practice of 79 professional nursing;
- 80 (17) "Retired license status", any person licensed in this state under this chapter who retires from such practice. Such person shall file with the board an 81 82 affidavit, on a form to be furnished by the board, which states the date on which the licensee retired from such practice, an intent to retire from the practice for 83 84 at least two years, and such other facts as tend to verify the retirement as the 85 board may deem necessary; but if the licensee thereafter reengages in the 86 practice, the licensee shall renew his or her license with the board as provided by 87 this chapter and by rule and regulation.
- 335.046. 1. [An applicant for a license to practice as a registered professional nurse shall submit to the board a written application on forms 2 furnished to the applicant. The original application shall contain the applicant's statements showing the applicant's education and other such pertinent information as the board may require. The applicant shall be of good moral character and have completed at least the high school course of study, or the 6 equivalent thereof as determined by the state board of education, and have 7 successfully completed the basic professional curriculum in an accredited or approved school of nursing and earned a professional nursing degree or 10 diploma. Each application shall contain a statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that its representations are true and correct to the best 11 12 knowledge and belief of the person signing same, subject to the penalties of

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17 The board may require by rule as a requirement for licensure that each applicant

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19 examination, the board may issue to the applicant a license to practice nursing

20 as a registered professional nurse. The applicant for a license to practice

21 registered professional nursing shall pay a license fee in such amount as set by

22 the board. The fee shall be uniform for all applicants. Applicants from foreign

23 countries shall be licensed as prescribed by rule.

2. An applicant for license to practice as a licensed practical nurse shall submit to the board a written application on forms furnished to the applicant. The original application shall contain the applicant's statements showing the applicant's education and other such pertinent information as the board may require. Such applicant shall be of good moral character, and have completed at least two years of high school, or its equivalent as established by the state board of education, and have successfully completed a basic prescribed curriculum in a state-accredited or approved school of nursing, earned a nursing degree, certificate or diploma and completed a course approved by the board on the role of the practical nurse. Each application shall contain a statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that its representations are true and correct to the best knowledge and belief of the person signing same, subject to the penalties of making a false affidavit or declaration. Applicants from non-English-speaking countries shall be required to submit evidence of their proficiency in the English language. The applicant must be approved by the board and shall pass an examination as required by the board. The board may require by rule as a requirement for licensure that each applicant shall pass an oral or practical examination. Upon successfully passing the examination, the board may issue to the applicant a license to practice as a licensed practical nurse. The applicant for a license to practice licensed practical nursing shall pay a fee in such amount as may be set by the board. The fee shall be uniform for all applicants. Applicants from foreign countries shall be licensed as prescribed by rule.] An applicant for initial licensure to practice as a registered professional nurse shall:

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- 49 board of nursing, which shall contain:
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  - (b) A statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that its representations are true and correct to the best knowledge and belief of the applicant, subject to the penalties of making a false affidavit or declaration;
  - (2) Be of good moral character and have completed at least the high school course of study, or the equivalent thereof, as determined by the state board of education, and have successfully completed the basic professional curriculum in an accredited or approved school of nursing and earned a professional nursing degree or diploma;
- (3) For applicants from non-English-speaking lands, submit evidence of proficiency in the English language and be licensed as prescribed by rule;
- 64 (4) Be approved by the board and pass an examination required 65 by the board. The board may require by rule as a requirement for 66 licensure that each applicant shall pass an oral or practical 67 examination. Upon successful passage of the examination, the board 68 may issue to the applicant a license to practice nursing as a registered 69 professional nurse;
  - (5) Pay a license fee in an amount established by the board by rule, which shall be uniform for all applicants; and
    - (6) Provide other evidence as required by the board by rule.
- 73 **2.** An applicant for initial licensure to practice as a licensed 74 practical nurse shall:
- 75 (1) Submit a completed written application, as established by the 76 board of nursing, which shall contain:
- 77 (a) The applicant's statement showing the applicant's education 78 and other such pertinent information as the board may require;
- (b) A statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and that its representations are true and correct to the best knowledge and belief of the applicant, subject to the penalties of making a false affidavit or declaration;
- 83 (2) Be of good moral character and have completed at least two 84 years of high school, or its equivalent as established by the state board 85 of education, and have successfully completed a basic prescribed

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- 86 curriculum in a state-accredited or approved school of nursing, earned a nursing degree, certificate, or diploma and completed a course 88 approved by the board on the role of the practical nurse;
- 89 (3) For applicants from non-English-speaking lands, submit 90 evidence of proficiency in the English language and be licensed as prescribed by rule; 91
- 92 (4) Be approved by the board and pass an examination required by the board. The board may require by rule as a requirement for 93 licensure that each applicant shall pass an oral or practical examination. Upon successful passage of the examination, the board 95 may issue to the applicant a license to practice nursing as a licensed 96 97 practical nurse;
- 98 (5) Pay a license fee in an amount established by the board by rule, which shall be uniform for all applicants; and 99
  - (6) Provide other evidence as required by the board by rule.
- 101 3. An applicant for initial licensure to practice as an advanced 102 practice registered nurse shall:
- 103 (1) Submit a completed written application, as established by the 104 board of nursing, which shall contain:
- (a) The applicant's statement showing the applicant's education 106 and other such pertinent information as the board may require;
- 107 (b) A statement that it is made under oath or affirmation and 108 that its representations are true and correct to the best knowledge and 109 belief of the applicant, subject to the penalties of making a false 110 affidavit or declaration;
- 111 (2) Be of good moral character and meets the following 112 educational requirements:
- 113 (a) Prior to July 1, 1998, completion of a formal post basic educational program from or formally affiliated with an accredited 114 college, university, or hospital of at least one academic year, which 115116 includes advanced practice nursing theory and clinical nursing 117 practice, leading to a graduate degree or certificate with a 118 concentration in an advanced practice nursing clinical specialty area;
  - (b) After July 1, 1998, completion of a graduate degree from an accredited college or university with a concentration in an advanced practice nursing clinical specialty area, which includes advanced nursing theory and clinical nursing practice;

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- 123 (c) After January 1, 2009, completion of an accredited graduate-124 level advanced practice registered nurse program in one of the four 125 roles and at least one population focus;
- 126 (3) Be currently certified by a national certifying body 127 recognized by the board of nursing in the advanced practice registered 128 nurse role and population foci appropriate to educational preparation;
  - (4) For applicants from non-English-speaking lands, submit evidence of proficiency in the English language and be licensed as prescribed by rule;
  - (5) Pay a license fee in an amount established by the board by rule, which shall be uniform for all applicants. Upon issuance of an advanced practice registered nurse license, the license holder's APRN license and RN license shall be treated as one license for the purpose of license renewal and assessment of license renewal fees;
    - (6) Provide other evidence as required by the board by rule; and
  - (7) Any person holding a document of recognition to practice nursing as an advanced practice registered nurse in this state which is valid on August 28, 2013, shall be deemed to be licensed as an APRN under this section.
- [3.] 4. Upon refusal of the board to allow any applicant to sit for either the registered professional nurses' examination or the licensed practical nurses' examination, as the case may be, the board shall comply with the provisions of section 621.120 and advise the applicant of his or her right to have a hearing before the administrative hearing commission. The administrative hearing commission shall hear complaints taken pursuant to section 621.120.
- 148 [4.] 5. The board shall not deny a license because of sex, religion, race, ethnic origin, age or political affiliation.

335.056. The license of every person licensed under the provisions of [sections 335.011 to 335.096] section 335.046 shall be renewed as provided. An application for renewal of license shall be mailed to every person to whom a license was issued or renewed during the current licensing period. The applicant shall complete the application and return it to the board by the renewal date with a renewal fee in an amount to be set by the board. The fee shall be uniform for all applicants. The certificates of renewal shall render the holder thereof a legal practitioner of nursing for the period stated in the certificate of renewal. Any person who practices nursing as an advanced practice registered nurse, as

10 a registered professional nurse, or as a licensed practical nurse during the time

- 11 his **or her** license has lapsed shall be considered an illegal practitioner and shall
- 12 be subject to the penalties provided for violation of the provisions of sections
- 13 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099**.
  - 335.066. 1. The board may refuse to issue or reinstate any certificate of
- 2 registration or authority, permit or license required pursuant to chapter 335 for
- 3 one or any combination of causes stated in subsection 2 of this section or the
- 4 board may, as a condition to issuing or reinstating any such permit or license,
- 5 require a person to submit himself or herself for identification, intervention,
- 6 treatment, or rehabilitation by the impaired nurse program as provided in section
- 7 335.067. The board shall notify the applicant in writing of the reasons for the
- 8 refusal and shall advise the applicant of his or her right to file a complaint with
- 9 the administrative hearing commission as provided by chapter 621.
- 10 2. The board may cause a complaint to be filed with the administrative
- 11 hearing commission as provided by chapter 621 against any holder of any
- 12 certificate of registration or authority, permit or license required by sections
- 13 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099** or any person who has failed to renew or has
- 14 surrendered his or her certificate of registration or authority, permit or license
- 15 for any one or any combination of the following causes:
- 16 (1) Use or unlawful possession of any controlled substance, as defined in
- 17 chapter 195, or alcoholic beverage to an extent that such use impairs a person's
- 18 ability to perform the work of any profession licensed or regulated by sections
- 19 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099**;
- 20 (2) The person has been finally adjudicated and found guilty, or entered
- 21 a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, in a criminal prosecution pursuant to the laws
- 22 of any state or of the United States, for any offense reasonably related to the
- 23 qualifications, functions or duties of any profession licensed or regulated
- 24 pursuant to sections 335.011 to [335.096] 335.099, for any offense an essential
- 25 element of which is fraud, dishonesty or an act of violence, or for any offense
- 26 involving moral turpitude, whether or not sentence is imposed;
- 27 (3) Use of fraud, deception, misrepresentation or bribery in securing any
- 28 certificate of registration or authority, permit or license issued pursuant to
- 29 sections 335.011 to [335.096] 335.099 or in obtaining permission to take any
- 30 examination given or required pursuant to sections 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099**;
- 31 (4) Obtaining or attempting to obtain any fee, charge, tuition or other
- 32 compensation by fraud, deception or misrepresentation;

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- 33 (5) Incompetency, misconduct, gross negligence, fraud, misrepresentation 34 or dishonesty in the performance of the functions or duties of any profession 35 licensed or regulated by sections 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099**;
  - (6) Violation of, or assisting or enabling any person to violate, any provision of sections 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099**, or of any lawful rule or regulation adopted pursuant to sections 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099**;
- 39 (7) Impersonation of any person holding a certificate of registration or 40 authority, permit or license or allowing any person to use his or her certificate of 41 registration or authority, permit, license or diploma from any school;
- 42 (8) Disciplinary action against the holder of a license or other right to 43 practice any profession regulated by sections 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099** 44 granted by another state, territory, federal agency or country upon grounds for 45 which revocation or suspension is authorized in this state;
  - (9) A person is finally adjudged insane or incompetent by a court of competent jurisdiction;
- 48 (10) Assisting or enabling any person to practice or offer to practice any 49 profession licensed or regulated by sections 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099** who is 50 not registered and currently eligible to practice pursuant to sections 335.011 to 51 [335.096] **335.099**;
  - (11) Issuance of a certificate of registration or authority, permit or license based upon a material mistake of fact;
    - (12) Violation of any professional trust or confidence;
- 55 (13) Use of any advertisement or solicitation which is false, misleading or 56 deceptive to the general public or persons to whom the advertisement or 57 solicitation is primarily directed;
- 58 (14) Violation of the drug laws or rules and regulations of this state, any 59 other state or the federal government;
- (15) Placement on an employee disqualification list or other related restriction or finding pertaining to employment within a health-related profession issued by any state or federal government or agency following final disposition by such state or federal government or agency;
  - (16) Failure to successfully complete the impaired nurse program;
  - (17) Prescribing, administering, or dispensing of a controlled substance that is nontherapeutic in nature or nontherapeutic in the manner in which it is prescribed, administered, or dispensed, or fails to keep complete and accurate records of the diagnosis and treatment

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- (18) Failure to keep complete and accurate records of controlled substances received, prescribed, dispensed, and administered, and disposal of drugs listed in sections 195.005 to 195.425, or of controlled substances scheduled in the Federal Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970, 21 U.S.C. Section 801, et seq.;
- (19) Writing false or fictitious prescriptions for controlled substances as scheduled in sections 195.005 to 195.425, or for controlled substances scheduled in the Federal Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970, 21 U.S.C. Section 801, et seq.;
- (20) Prescribing, administering, or dispensing in a manner which is inconsistent with sections 195.005 to 195.425, or the Federal Comprehensive Drug Abuse Prevention and Control Act of 1970, 21 U.S.C. Section 801, et seq.
- 3. After the filing of such complaint, the proceedings shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions of chapter 621. Upon a finding by the administrative hearing commission that the grounds, provided in subsection 2 of this section, for disciplinary action are met, the board may, singly or in combination, censure or place the person named in the complaint on probation on such terms and conditions as the board deems appropriate for a period not to exceed five years, or may suspend, for a period not to exceed three years, or revoke the license, certificate, or permit.
  - 4. For any hearing before the full board, the board shall cause the notice of the hearing to be served upon such licensee in person or by certified mail to the licensee at the licensee's last known address. If service cannot be accomplished in person or by certified mail, notice by publication as described in subsection 3 of section 506.160 shall be allowed[;]. Any representative of the board is authorized to act as a court or judge would in that section[;]. Any employee of the board is authorized to act as a clerk would in that section.
- 5. An individual whose license has been revoked shall wait one year from the date of revocation to apply for relicensure. Relicensure shall be at the discretion of the board after compliance with all the requirements of sections 335.011 to [335.096] 335.099 relative to the licensing of an applicant for the first time.
- 6. The board may notify the proper licensing authority of any other state concerning the final disciplinary action determined by the board on a license in

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which the person whose license was suspended or revoked was also licensed of the suspension or revocation.

- 7. Any person, organization, association or corporation who reports or provides information to the board of nursing pursuant to the provisions of sections 335.011 to 335.259 and who does so in good faith shall not be subject to an action for civil damages as a result thereof.
- 111 8. If the board concludes that a nurse has committed an act or is engaging 112 in a course of conduct which would be grounds for disciplinary action which 113 constitutes a clear and present danger to the public health and safety, the board 114 may file a complaint before the administrative hearing commission requesting an 115 expedited hearing and specifying the activities which give rise to the danger and 116 the nature of the proposed restriction or suspension of the nurse's license. Within 117 fifteen days after service of the complaint on the nurse, the administrative hearing commission shall conduct a preliminary hearing to determine whether 118 119 the alleged activities of the nurse appear to constitute a clear and present danger to the public health and safety which justify that the nurse's license be 120 121 immediately restricted or suspended. The burden of proving that a nurse is a 122 clear and present danger to the public health and safety shall be upon the state 123 board of nursing. The administrative hearing commission shall issue its decision 124 immediately after the hearing and shall either grant to the board the authority 125 to suspend or restrict the license or dismiss the action.
  - 9. If the administrative hearing commission grants temporary authority to the board to restrict or suspend the nurse's license, such temporary authority of the board shall become final authority if there is no request by the nurse for a full hearing within thirty days of the preliminary hearing. The administrative hearing commission shall, if requested by the nurse named in the complaint, set a date to hold a full hearing under the provisions of chapter 621 regarding the activities alleged in the initial complaint filed by the board.
- 133 10. If the administrative hearing commission refuses to grant temporary 134 authority to the board or restrict or suspend the nurse's license under subsection 135 8 of this section, such dismissal shall not bar the board from initiating a 136 subsequent disciplinary action on the same grounds.
  - 335.076. 1. Any person who holds a license to practice professional nursing in this state may use the title "Registered Professional Nurse" and the abbreviation "R.N.". No other person shall use the title "Registered Professional Nurse" or the abbreviation "R.N.". No other person shall assume any title or use

- 5 any abbreviation or any other words, letters, signs, or devices to indicate that the 6 person using the same is a registered professional nurse.
- 7 2. Any person who holds a license to practice practical nursing in this
- 8 state may use the title "Licensed Practical Nurse" and the abbreviation "L.P.N.".
- 9 No other person shall use the title "Licensed Practical Nurse" or the abbreviation
- 10 "L.P.N.". No other person shall assume any title or use any abbreviation or any
- 11 other words, letters, signs, or devices to indicate that the person using the same
- 12 is a licensed practical nurse.

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- 13 3. Any person who holds a license [or recognition] to practice advanced 14 practice nursing in this state [may] shall have the right to use the title "Advanced Practice Registered Nurse", and the [abbreviation "APRN", and any 15 other title designations appearing on his or her licensel roles of "certified 17 registered nurse anesthetist", "certified nurse midwife", "certified clinical nurse specialist", and "certified nurse practitioner", and the 18 abbreviations "APRN", "CRNA", "CNM", "CNS", and "CNP", respectively. No 19 other person shall use the title "Advanced Practice Registered Nurse" or the 20 21abbreviation "APRN". No other person shall assume any title or use any 22 abbreviation or any other words, letters, signs, or devices to indicate that the person using the same is an advanced practice registered nurse. 23
  - 4. No person shall practice or offer to practice professional nursing, practical nursing, or advanced practice nursing in this state or use any title, sign, abbreviation, card, or device to indicate that such person is a practicing professional nurse, practical nurse, or advanced practice nurse unless he or she has been duly licensed under the provisions of this chapter.
  - 5. In the interest of public safety and consumer awareness, it is unlawful for any person to use the title "nurse" in reference to himself or herself in any capacity, except individuals who are or have been licensed as a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, or advanced practice registered nurse under this chapter.
  - 6. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, nothing in this chapter shall prohibit a Christian Science nurse from using the title "Christian Science nurse", so long as such person provides only religious nonmedical services when offering or providing such services to those who choose to rely upon healing by spiritual means alone and does not hold his or her own religious organization and does not hold himself or herself out as a registered nurse, advanced practice registered nurse, nurse practitioner, licensed practical nurse, nurse midwife, clinical nurse specialist, or nurse anesthetist, unless otherwise authorized by law to do so.

335.086. No person, firm, corporation or association shall:

- 2 (1) Sell or attempt to sell or fraudulently obtain or furnish or attempt to 3 furnish any nursing diploma, license, renewal or record or aid or abet therein;
- 4 (2) Practice [professional or practical] nursing as defined by sections 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099** under cover of any diploma, license, or record illegally or fraudulently obtained or signed or issued unlawfully or under fraudulent representation;
- 8 (3) Practice [professional nursing or practical] nursing as defined by 9 sections 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099** unless duly licensed to do so under the provisions of sections 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099**;
- 11 (4) Use in connection with his **or her** name any designation tending to 12 imply that he **or she** is a licensed **advanced practice registered nurse**, **a** 13 registered professional nurse or a licensed practical nurse unless duly licensed 14 so to practice under the provisions of sections 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099**;
- 15 (5) Practice [professional nursing or practical] nursing during the time his 16 license issued under the provisions of sections 335.011 to [335.096] **335.099** shall 17 be suspended or revoked; or
- 18 (6) Conduct a nursing education program for the preparation of 19 professional or practical nurses unless the program has been accredited by the 20 board.

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